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SUBJECT: COMMENT REQUEST: PLANNED TERMINATION OF THE NESTED GRID MODEL
/NGM/-BASED LOCAL AWIPS MOS SYSTEM /LAMP/ PRODUCTS: COMMENTS SOLICITED BY
SEPTEMBER 14 2007

THE NWS IS SEEKING USER COMMENTS ON THE PLANNED TERMINATION OF THE NGM-
LAMP SYSTEM.

THE NGM-BASED LAMP SYSTEM ACTS AS AN UPDATE TO THE NGM MODEL OUTPUT
STATISTICS /MOS/ GUIDANCE. THE LAMP SYSTEM IS BEING REDEVELOPED TO UPDATE
THE GLOBAL FORECAST SYSTEM /GFS/ MOS INSTEAD OF THE NGM MOS. THE NEW
SYSTEM HAS BEEN RENAMED THE LOCALIZED AVIATION MOS PROGRAM. CURRENTLY...
THE NEW GFS-BASED LAMP SYSTEM IS RUNNING OPERATIONALLY WITH THE SAME
NUMBER OF CYCLES AS THE NGM-BASED LAMP SYSTEM AND WILL EVENTUALLY PROVIDE
UPDATED GUIDANCE EVERY HOUR OF THE DAY. IN ADDITION... THE NUMBER OF
STATIONS FOR WHICH FORECASTS ARE GENERATED IN THE NEW GFS-LAMP SYSTEM HAS
SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED FROM ITS PREDECESSOR...THE NGM-LAMP SYSTEM. IT IS
NOW ON THE ORDER OF THE STATION-BASED GFS MOS SYSTEM.

THE NWS IS PLANNING TO TERMINATE THE NGM-LAMP SYSTEM. IF A DECISION IS
MADE TO TERMINATE THE NGM-LAMP...WE ANTICIPATE ITS TERMINATION TO BE
EFFECTIVE IN JANUARY 2008. EFFECTS OF THIS PROPOSED PRODUCT TERMINATION
INCLUDE THE REMOVAL OF ALL NGM-LAMP PRODUCTS WHICH ARE AVAILABLE AT /USE
LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/MDL/LAMP/NGMLAMP.SHTML](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/mdl/lamp/ngmlamp.shtml)

AND THE REMOVAL OF ALL NGM-LAMP GUIDANCE AVAILABLE ON THE NWS FTP SERVER
AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

TGFTP.NWS.NOAA.GOV

ADDITIONAL DETAILS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED TERMINATION OF THE NGM-LAMP SYSTEM AND THE KEY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE NGM-LAMP SYSTEM AND THE NEW GFS-LAMP SYSTEM ARE SUMMARIZED AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/MDL/GFSLAMP/DOCS/PLAN NGMLAMP REMOVAL.SHTML](http://www.weather.gov/mdl/gfslamp/docs/plan_ngmlamp_removal.shtml)

FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE NEW GFS-LAMP SYSTEM, PLEASE SEE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/MDL/LAMP/](http://www.weather.gov/mdl/lamp/)

PLEASE SEND ANY COMMENTS ON THIS PROPOSED TERMINATION BY SEPTEMBER 14 2007 TO [NGMLAMP.COMMENTS@NOAA.GOV](mailto:ngmlamp.comments@noaa.gov). PLEASE USE THE SUBJECT: NGM-LAMP COMMENT.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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